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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Mr. Virgil Barr, Bureau of Mines, re NIS Production

- 1. Today I called Mr. Virgil Barr, Chief, Division of International Activities, Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior, to tell him that I was sending a strong letter to his boss, Mr. Vogely, pointing out the default of his unit in meeting the FY 1968 NIS schedule. In this letter, I asked that I have an opportunity to discuss the production situation with Mr. Vogely and obtain his assurance that steps can and will be taken by the Bureau to remedy this so that planned schedules for FY 1969 can be met. I then told Mr. Barr that, when he and Mr. Vogely discuss the letter, they should also consider whether the Bureau would prefer not to continue in their support of the NIS Program because of difficulties or other commitments; if so, we can make other arrangements to have their contributions done.
- 2. Mr. Barr was appreciative of my call, and indicated that he had been expecting to hear from us concerning the default and that he was very sorry that there was this dissatisfaction with his unit's production.

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